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'Sec. 34. Advertising on fences, rocks, etc.; penalty. Whoever advertises his wares or occupation by painting notices of the same on, or affixing them to fences or other private property, or to rocks or other natural objects, without the consent of the owner in writing, ~~or if in the highway or any other public place, without the consent of the municipal officers in writing~~ shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished for each offense by a fine of not less than \$5, nor more than \$20.'

Sec. 6. R. S., c. 118, § 35, repealed. Section 35 of chapter 118 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed.

Effective August 20, 1951

Chapter 303

AN ACT Relating to the Absent Voting Law in Cities.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 6, § 6, repealed and replaced. Section 6 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 3 of chapter 349 of the public laws of 1949, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 6. Procedure in cities. When a written request for an absent voting ballot or physical incapacity voting ballot is received by the clerk of a city, he shall forthwith mail or deliver the application and ballot to the applicant; provided, however, that if the request is made on the form prescribed by subsection III of section 2, then he shall mail or deliver only the ballot. Before the closing of the polls on election day, the clerk shall deliver to the officials charged by law with the registration and enrolment of voters in such city all applications for absent voting and physical incapacity voting ballots which have been received by him. Such officials shall examine each application and, if they believe the signature thereon to be genuine and the statements therein made to be true, they shall execute the certificate thereon and return it to the clerk. If the officials do not believe the signature to be genuine or the statements made by the applicant to be true, and so decline to execute the certificate, they shall forthwith mail to the applicant at his address as stated on his application written notice to that effect, giving their reasons for so declining and informing him that his ballot will not be counted. They shall keep a record in a book provided for that purpose of all voters whose applications for official absent voting ballots or physical incapacity voting ballots are certified to the city clerk together with the date of the execution of the certificate on the

application. They shall preserve the application until the time set by law for the destruction of ballots cast in the coming election, at which time the application shall also be destroyed. The clerk shall keep lists of the names and addresses, arranged by voting precincts, of all voters filing applications for absent voting ballots or physical incapacity voting ballots and shall post copies of such lists for public inspection at each voting place. The clerk shall cause to be placed on the voting list, opposite the name of each person to whom an official absent voting ballot or physical incapacity voting ballot is mailed or delivered, the letters in capitals A. V.'

Effective August 20, 1951

Chapter 304

AN ACT Relating to Regulation of Posts and Wires.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 46, § 31, amended. Section 31 of chapter 46 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 31. Permit to construct lines must be had from municipal officers or county commissioners; lines so erected are legal structures; proceedings and right of appeal. ~~No~~ Except as hereinafter provided, no such company, person or association shall construct lines upon and along highways and public roads, without first making an application for and obtaining a written permit, signed by the ~~mayor and aldermen~~ municipal officers in case of cities, the selectmen in case of towns, and the county commissioners in case of plantations and unorganized townships, specifying the kind of posts, where and how they shall be located and set, and the height of the wire above the ground; and if the line specified in the permit is a telephone line and is not constructed and public telephone service established in connection therewith within 18 months from the time the decision is filed, the permit shall be void. ~~Before granting such permit 14 days' public notice thereof shall be given and residents and owners of property upon the highways to be affected thereby shall have full opportunity to show cause why such permit should not be granted.~~ Before granting such permit, 14 days' public notice thereof shall be given by posting a true copy of said application in some public and conspicuous place in the town concerned and by publishing a true copy of said application at least once in some newspaper, if any, printed in the city concerned, or, if no newspaper is printed in such city, then by posting a copy of said application in some public and conspicuous place. During said period residents and owners